

**LDOE Pre-Approval Request**

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This message is to notify you that LDOE has reviewed the submitted request for pre-approval of capital and/or equipment expenditures using federal funding from City of Monroe, regarding Improvement to equipment, land, and/or building adding value or use life. This request has been approved. All construction/renovation expenditures must comply with the regulations set forth in the ESSER/GEER FAQ provided by ED. In addition, it is the school systems' duty to ensure projects are completed within the award period of the funding. The full description of the approved request, as submitted to LDOE, can be found below.

Description: Since the onset of COVID-19, the City of Monroe School District (MCSB) has partnered with Primary Health Services Center (PHSC) to assist with preventing, preparing and responding to COVID-19. In the early stages, PHSC helped secure PPE supplies for district staff and setup a School-Based Health Center at Carroll Jr. High School to administer free COVID-19 testing district-wide for MCSB employees and students (See attached). Once the COVID-19 vaccines were approved, PHSC also partnered with the district to provide COVID-19 vaccinations to MCSB employees (See attached). The City of Monroe and Primary Health Services Center have partnered once again to further expand these services to district employees and students by adding an additional location for a School-Based Health Center at Wossman High School to prevent, prepare, and respond to COVID-19; as well as provide other services such as behavioral health services. This location will be located to conveniently better serve the surrounding seven elementary schools, one middle school and Wossman High school. As part of the agreement, the City of Monroe School District will need to renovate a current building at Wossman High School to accommodate the needs of Primary Health Service Center. The renovations are estimated to cost approximately \$1.6M.

Please reach out to LDOE.Grantshelpdesk@la.gov if you have additional questions related to this expense.